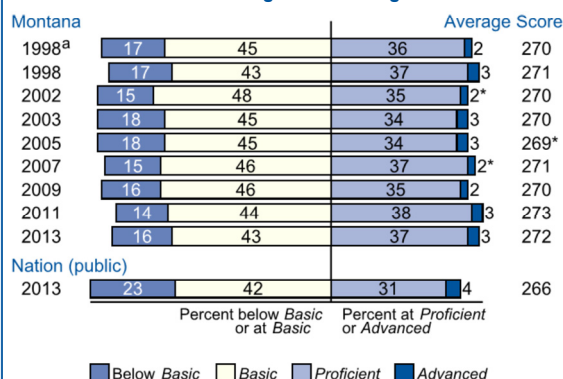


### Overall Results

- In 2013, the average score of eighth-grade students in Montana was 272. This was higher than the average score of 266 for public school students in the nation.
- The average score for students in Montana in 2013 (272) was not significantly different from their average score in 2011 (273) and in 1998 (271).
- The score gap between higher performing students in Montana (those at the 75th percentile) and lower performing students (those at the 25th percentile) was 39 points in 2013. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 1998 (39 points).
- The percentage of students in Montana who performed at or above the NAEP *Proficient* level was 40 percent in 2013. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2011 (42 percent) and in 1998 (40 percent).
- The percentage of students in Montana who performed at or above the NAEP *Basic* level was 84 percent in 2013. This percentage was not significantly different from that in 2011 (86 percent) and in 1998 (83 percent).

### Achievement-Level Percentages and Average Score Results

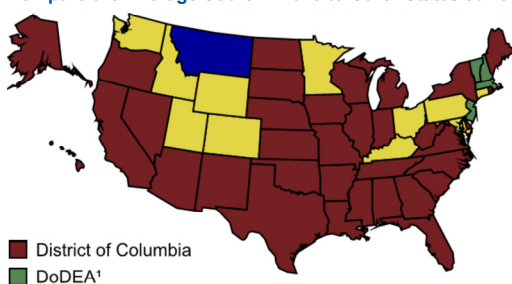


\* Significantly different ( $p < .05$ ) from state's results in 2013. Significance tests were performed using unrounded numbers.

<sup>a</sup> Accommodations not permitted. For information about NAEP accommodations, see <http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard/about/inclusion.aspx>.

NOTE: Detail may not sum to totals because of rounding.

### Compare the Average Score in 2013 to Other States/Jurisdictions

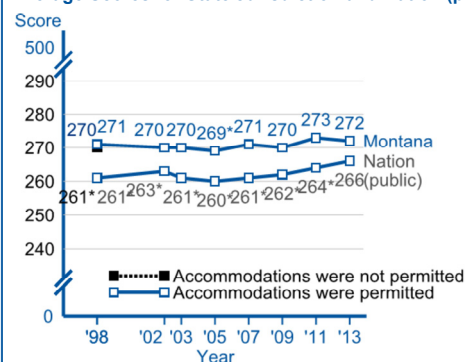


<sup>1</sup> Department of Defense Education Activity (overseas and domestic schools).

In 2013, the average score in **Montana** (272) was

- lower than those in 5 states/jurisdictions
- higher than those in 35 states/jurisdictions
- not significantly different from those in 11 states/jurisdictions

### Average Scores for State/Jurisdiction and Nation (public)



\* Significantly different ( $p < .05$ ) from 2013. Significance tests were performed using unrounded numbers.

NOTE: For information about NAEP accommodations, see <http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard/about/inclusion.aspx>.

### Results for Student Groups in 2013

Reporting Groups	Percent of students	Avg. score	Percentages at or above		Percent at
			Basic	Proficient	Advanced
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>					
White	80	276	88	45	4
Black	1	‡	‡	‡	‡
Hispanic	4	263	74	28	2
Asian	1	‡	‡	‡	‡
American Indian/Alaska Native	12	245	56	13	#
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	#	‡	‡	‡	‡
Two or more races	2	‡	‡	‡	‡
<b>Gender</b>					
Male	51	267	80	35	2
Female	49	276	87	46	5
<b>National School Lunch Program</b>					
Eligible	39	261	75	27	1
Not eligible	61	278	89	49	5

# Rounds to zero.

‡ Reporting standards not met.

NOTE: Detail may not sum to totals because of rounding, and because the "Information not available" category for the National School Lunch Program, which provides free/reduced-price lunches, is not displayed. Black includes African American and Hispanic includes Latino. Race categories exclude Hispanic origin.

### Score Gaps for Student Groups

- Data are not reported for Black students in 2013, because reporting standards were not met.
- In 2013, Hispanic students had an average score that was 14 points lower than White students. Data are not reported for Hispanic students in 1998, because reporting standards were not met.
- In 2013, female students in Montana had an average score that was higher than male students by 9 points.
- In 2013, students who were eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch, an indicator of low family income, had an average score that was 17 points lower than students who were not eligible for free/reduced-price school lunch. This performance gap was not significantly different from that in 1998 (17 points).